

Feb 5, 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein,

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When we fly our model airplanes under radio control, we go to great lengths to assure the safety of the operators and bystanders and the protection of property. Many of our safety precautions involve the careful coordination and use of the radio control frequencies. If the number of usable frequencies is diminished as proposed by the FCC, the remaining frequencies will become congested and the margin of safety will be greatly decreased.

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Please help me continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out its proposals for the 72-76 MHz band.

Sincerely, James A. ...

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DIANE FINOSTEIN

**I have been interested in radio controlled modeling for as long as I can remember. I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled model sailboats."**

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Please understand that sailboats are very expensive to build, and are very labor intensive. These miniature yachts are often labors of love and careful detail. That effort can be easily damaged or destroyed if control is lost due radio interference.

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Jose D. Calderon  
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Pomona, CA 91767

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
367 Dirksen Senate Office Bldg.  
Washington D.C. 20510

February 12, 1993

Dear Senator Feinstein,

The Federal Communications Commission has issued a Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM-PR Docket 92-235) which, if implemented, will profoundly effect the sport and business of radio controlled modeling.

This proposed rule change will effect hundreds of thousands of modelers world wide and destroy the thousands of businesses locally, nationally and internationally who depend upon modeling.

I am employed by a Pomona company which manufactures model aircraft. This proposed change will destroy that company and in turn will put me in the ranks of the unemployed. At this time when finding any employment is difficult, I am very concerned about my fate and the fate of my family if this rule should be passed.

I urge you to protect our jobs, protect business and do not support NPRM-PR Docket 92-235. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Jose D. Calderon

February 10, 1993

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Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
Suite 331  
Senate Hart Office Building  
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Re: Federal Communication Commission  
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Sincerely,

*Mike Shook*

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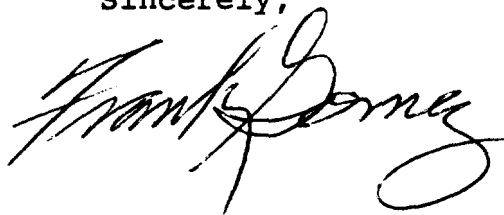
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Sincerely,

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February 18, 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am very active in a local club whose members enjoy constructing and operating radio controlled cars. I personally own 3 radios and 3 R/C model cars and have a workshop full of other products necessary to operate my models.

I am very concerned about the proposed rule that is currently under consideration by the Federal Communication Commission (FCC). The proceeding is PR Docket 92-235. If adopted the new rule will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for R/C model use and increase the risk of accidents and attendant liability.

Our radio-control frequencies are in the 72-76 Mhz band. This band is primarily used for private land mobile dispatch operations. However, our radio-control frequencies in this band are far enough apart from the land mobile frequencies that we have been able to share the band without either use interfering with the other.

The Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) in PR Docket 92-235 replaces Part 90 of the rules with a new Part 88. Part 90 allows for safe use of R/C aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 Khz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts. The new Part 88 will allow mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 Khz of frequencies available to us, eliminating safe use of at least 31 of 50 channels on the 72 Mhz band (for R/C aircraft) and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75 Mhz band (for R/C cars and boats) now used by hobbyist. In fact more channels will likely be affected.

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Sincerely,

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Palm Desert CA  
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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

123 FEB 25 PM 6:50 January 21, 1993

Subject: FCC NPRM Pr Docket 92-235

Dear Senator Feinstein:

Let me begin by congratulating you on your recent election. Here's hoping things will change for the better in Washington. I am writing to request your assistance in the rejection of the subject proposal presently before the F.C.C. for adoption.

During the last five years we in the Radio Control Model hobby were required to replace all our equipment because the F.C.C. decreased our frequency spacing from 20 Khz to 10 Khz. The equipment replacement was very expensive and now they would all be obsoleted by this docket changing the spacing to 2.5 Khz.

Most of us have been interested in Radio Controlled Models for over thirty years and we spend much of our leisure time trying to help the younger generation to learn what a great hobby-sport this is. Certainly this wonderful pastime offers young people a great alternative to drugs, for this reason alone it is worthwhile.

This proposal, if adopted, would preclude the safe operation of model aircraft and make the operators subject to litigation for accidents caused by radio interference. The models I fly are large, fast, and expensive, therefore I take every precaution to operate them safely. There is no precaution I could take to prevent an accident caused by radio interference by another radio broadcasting perhaps miles away on a frequency only 2.5 Khz. away from my radio.

It is for the reasons I have stated that the proposals in FCC. NPRM PR Docket 92-235 to add frequencies between model and commercial frequencies not be adopted.

Sincerely



LEONARD COON  
3925 Lester  
Riverside, CA 92504

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Feb. 18 '93

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United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

It recently came to my attention that the FCC is proposing a major rule change (PR Docket 92-235) concerning the radio frequencys which are very close to the frequencys I us in the pursuit of my hobby, which is the building and flying of radio controlled model airplanes.

I built my first wind-up model airplane in 1938 and have had an interest in the hobby all my life. Since retirement I have spent many enjoyable hours in club flying activities. (Palomar Flyers, San Marcos, Ca.) As a club member I am very aware of the necessity of stressing safty in our sport, so please help me to continue the safe enjoyment of my pastime by not allowing the FCC to carry out it's proposals for the 72-76 MHz band which may cause radio interference.

Sencerly,

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The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
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Feb 15, 1993

Dear Senator Diane Feinstein,

I have been notified by fellow aviators that the future of our sport and hobby may be in jeopardy. There has been a notice posted by the FCC that some of the frequencies used to pilot our model aircraft are going to be used for mobile land service. The problem with this is that they are too close to our frequencies already! They plan to insert new ones in between which will completely wipe out our now near perfect reliability. Some of these "models" weight in excess of fifty pounds and sometimes travel in excess of two hundred miles an hour! I assure you that if this is done, someone is going to get hurt! Right now, it has been proven that it is safer to fly our planes at our club than it is to play volleyball at the local park, this kind of safety didn't come easy. we have spent over thirty thousand dollars on our field and every one abides by the rules. All this was done knowing that our frequency channels were safe and clear.

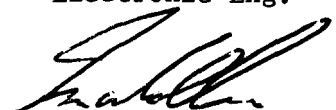
For many people, young and old, this is their only outlet. At the field you see little kids learning about aviation, possibly future airline pilots. Then you see the retired people come alive like the little kids they are standing next to. We are all like a giant family at the field, and all this will change if the FCC has their way.

At this moment, I have thousands of dollars tied up in this hobby. Most of it in radio equipment. If these rules were to take effect, I would have to trash can about half of them. All the money spent on high tech equipment will have been lost.

I am sure there is another way around this problem, we just have to find it. I wish you luck in office and a prosperous year.

Sincerely,

Tom Walker  
Electronic Eng.



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February 10, 1993

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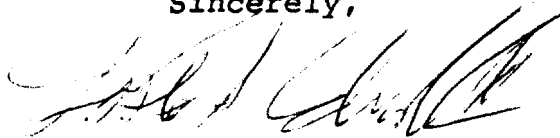
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Sincerely,



Ester S. Edwards  
300 S. Thacker St  
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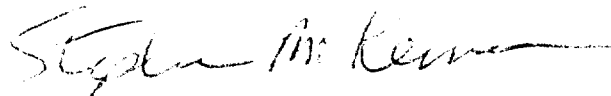
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Sincerely,

*Don Lade*

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CONCRETE WA 98237

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20 February 1993  
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100-101057  
The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
United States Senate

Dear Ms. Feinstein

I am writing to ask your help in reversing a proposed rule change by the FCC, contained in NPRM-PR Docket 92-235, which appears to have a substantial impact on my activities in the flying of Radio Controlled Aircraft. Specifically, I am concerned that these rules will cause a substantial safety hazard, will interfere with the present use of frequencies designated for model aircraft use, and will eventually result in the involuntary obsolescence of millions of dollars worth of equipment.

The proposal places new frequencies in the 72-76 MHz band only 2.5 KHz away from frequencies presently used for model aircraft control, permits these frequencies to be used by mobile transmitters of greater power than permitted for radio control, and permits a wide enough tolerance in frequency control that emissions will overlap the radio control frequencies. Radio controlled aircraft are typically 5 lb

aircraft go out of control, possibly with serious consequences. Further, the final result will be that the affected frequencies will become unusable, there will be insufficient clear frequencies available for model aircraft use, and the hobby will either die or go through an expensive change of hardware in an attempt to deal with the new situation.

I have been a active flyer of radio controlled aircraft for 26 years. It is my primary hobby. I have designed model aircraft, and the technical understanding of aerodynamics and control which I gained doing research for that design work has been also be useful in my profession as a systems engineer in air-to-air guided missile design. I have used model aircraft as targets in missile tracker development, saving thousands of dollars per hour in aircraft costs.

I have found model aircraft to be a hobby which plays a significant role in encouraging student interests in technical careers. It is also enjoyable for its own sake in that it provides a combination of craftsmanship and outdoor sport which pleases many, and I know many retired people who devote much of their time to model aircraft. The hobby supports a significant industry at both the retail and manufacturing level, primarily small businesses. It is very much in this country's interest to continue to provide frequency allocations which preserve the health of this hobby.

I do not believe it is appropriate for the FCC to create new frequency allocations at the cost of the investment that I and many others have made in radio control equipment and models. I believe the proposed rules should be changed to eliminate this effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ken Banks".

Ken Banks

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21 February 1993

The Honorable Diane Feinstein  
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Dear Senator Feinstein;

I have been interested in aviation since I was a small child and have also been involved in making and flying model airplanes since that time. I am 21 years old and presently very active in flying radio controlled model aircraft and am a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics (AMA).

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
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San Diego, Ca.

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Dear Senator Feinstein,

I am very concerned about a new proposal/rule change, PR Docket 92-235, under consideration by the F.C.C. If adopted, these new rules will greatly reduce the usability of frequencies currently assigned for model use and increase the risk of accidents. I understand that of the 50 frequencies that are for model aircraft, only 19 would be left.

I get many hours of pleasure & relaxation from flying my model airplanes, after spending a lot of time and substantial money building them. It's easy to spend \$400<sup>00</sup> on just the radio equipment for one airplane. I sometimes have 3 or 4 airplanes flyable at one time. Since the new frequencies are so close, interference will occur and there are bound to be accidents. I cannot strongly enough stress the safety & liability aspect created by this proposal. I do not think it is wise of the FCC to seek to improve land mobile radio users at the expense of radio control modelers. The FCC may not think we are as important as business users of radios, but we have a considerable investment in our models & radio equipment.

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Subject: PH Locket 92-235

Dear Senator,

In the subject docket the FCC proposes assigning new radio frequencies between the frequencies already allocated and in use for the control of model airplanes.

As a long time (34 years) participant in that avocation I am fearful of the consequences should that docket be approved. The frequencies have been successfully operating on for many years and